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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: (All States Log Number I 92 0017) NGB-ARS Update #1-92

1. Chief Surgeon's Comments - COL Edward K. Jeffer:

I reported as the Chief Surgeon, Army National Guard 17 Jun 91 vise COL Urbauer. Since that time, I have met many of you through my travels, Resource Management Conferences, and AMSUS. Prior to being assigned to the ARNG, I was Chief, Quality Assurance Division with the Department of the Army Surgeon General.

Best Wishes to COL Jesse Faught, MOARNG. COL Faught retired from the ARNG in Dec. COL Faught had been a leader for the ARNG AMEDD and will be missed.

Congratulations to Mike Gilmer, on his promotion to COLONEL. COL Gilmer, UTARNG, is assigned as the Senior Army Medical Advisor to HSC vise COL Faught.

Also, MG Rees identified medical issues, i.e. current physicals, cardiovascular screening, HIV, and panographic x-rays as one of his performance indicators for the ARNG.

I plan on having a Medical Advisory Council (MAC) meeting the middle/latter part of March in a central location of the country. If the MAC members have any recommendations on the location or subjects that you wish to cover, contact me or LTC Wright as soon as possible. Each MAC member will need to start coordinating funding within their State.

I am looking for field grade medical professionals to merve as clinical consultants to this office. The medical professionals need to have broad clinical and administrative experience and detailed knowledge of military policies and procedures. Nominations in the following specialities are requested:

- a. Medical Corps (one in each area)
 - (1) Preventive Medicine
 - (2) Family Medicine/Ambulatory Care
 - (3) Surgery
 - (4) Medicine
 - (5) Psychiatry
- b. Army Medical Specialist Corps
- c. Medical Service Corps
 - (1) Optometry
 - (2) Pharmacy
 - (3) Social Work

Please forward an updated curriculum vitae through channels to this office NLT 1 April 92. Review and selection of the medical professionals will be made with notification NLT 1 MAY 92.

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Dental Corps

Veterinary Corps

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4. Administration and Operations:

a. Upcoming events:

AMEDD Conference: Denver, CO 23-28 Jun 92 (travel included)
This meeting is a combination of State Surgeons, State Chief
Nurses with the addition of selected Medical Brigade Staff.
POC: MAJ Coleman

b. Personnel Changes:

- (1) LTC Paul Redd, UTARNG was reassigned to FORSCOM 15 AUG As of 15 Oct 91, MAJ Nancy Fortuin, NCARNG has been assigned as the HIV and CVSP POC.
- (2) LTC Roger Healy, UTARNG, was selected to attend senior service school and reported 12 AUG 91. MAJ Michael Wertz, PAARNG reported on 15 Nov 91 vise LTC Healy.
- (3) MAJ LaNell Jackson, ARARNG is currently on a 179 day ADSW tour drafting/staffing the RC Enlisted Medical Sustainment Training Policy.
- (4) MAJ Charles Bradford, UTARNG, reported to ARS on 17 Dec. MAJ Bradford will be physically working in ARO-Y handling AMEDD training issues. MAJ Bradford comes to ARS from the Army School of the Americas.
- (4) CPT Jim Kennedy, TNARNG, has been assigned as Medical Actions officer vise MAJ Fortuin. CPT Kennedy was previously assigned as APMS at Austin Peay University in Tennessee. CPT Kennedy reported 15 Oct 91.
- (5) CPT Robert Brown, OHARNG, reported to ARS on 25 Nov 91. CPT Brown will be physically working in ARP-O handling AMEDD personnel issues. Previously, CPT Brown was an AMEDD Recruiter in OH.
- (6) CW2 John McAuley, MDARNG, had been attending the AMEDD Advance course at the AHS and returned on 16 Dec 91.
- (7) SFC Richard Eisenbart, KSARNG, reported 8 Sep vise SSG Childs. SFC Eisenbart was previously assigned to the FMTS in Panama.
- (8) SSG Faye Childs, DCARNG, is scheduled to attend BNOC/ANOC 2nd/3rd quarter FY 92.

c. All States Log Numbers/Messages:

Policy:

- (1) #P91-0122, 25 Nov, HIV Contract
- (2) Message 201545Nov91, subject: PA Commissioning
- (3) #091-0119, 300ct, Inst. for Vaccine Administration
- (4) #P91-0114, 25 Oct, Routine Immunization Requirements
- (5) #P91-0111, 18 Oct, BLS Training in ARNG Medical Units
- (6) #P91-0101, 12 Sep, Licensing of ARNG 91C
- (7) #P91-0090, 14 Aug, Privileging/Credentialing ARNG Health Care Providers

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Chief Nurse's Comments - COL Shirley L. Jones:

My tour as Chief Nurse, NGB-ARS, will be completed 19July92. The position was advertised in the December time-frame. The applicants must be a Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel (P) at the time the selection board meets. Only qualified applicants will be considered. The selection will be made in January. This will allow time for the selectee to get prepared to report by 15 Jun 92. This will allow time for a complete orientation to the duties and responsibilities of the position as Chief Nurse.

NGB-ARS has approval and authorization for an ARNG AMEDD Senior Enlisted Advisor position. The ARNG AMEDD Senior Enlisted Advisor position has been validated by DA and is awaiting fill and assignment in ARS. This position is critical to provide a single point-of-contact for the States and Territories on enlisted medical issues; examples being 91C Licensure and EMST. This senior enlisted medical soldier will interface with the Department of Defense, Department of the Army Health Services Command, Office of the Army Surgeon, Academy of Health Science, Forces Command, and the 54 States and Territorial Sergeants Major. This position is vital to develop policy training for the 22,000 enlisted medical personnel. This position is targeted for fill by 1 MAR 92.

The ANC Reserve Components Operating Room Course needs your continued support. Please seek out qualified applicants to apply for this outstanding training and ensure readiness for the ANC. A Log Letter was published Sep 91 with the new course dates.

National Guard nurses and the US Army Biomedical Research and Development Laboratory are conducting a field medical study to assess the level of AMEDD satisfaction with efficiency of field medical equipment and to gain information regarding the military and civilian educational preparation and experience of the nurses in the National Guard. All ARNG nurses will receive a survey please encourage them to complete immediately.

/s/ COL Jones, ARNG Chief Nurse, ARARNG

3. Medical Standards Branch:

Processing time for medical actions are currently under 30 days. Issues relating to AGR medical care and Operation Desert Storm medical care are currently being worked and are the focus of an IG Report and a GAO study.

Rewrite work continues on NGR 40-3 and NGR 40-501, however, has been slowed by the pressure of other actions recently. We still anticipate draft completion by early spring.

/s/ COL Savage, Medical Standards Branch Chief

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Information:

- (1) #I91-0451, 31 Dec, HIV LOI
- (2) #I91-0422, 2 Dec, FY92 CVSP, Phase II Funding (3) #I91-0416, 2 Dec, TQM
- (4) #191-0296, 30 Sep, Immunization Guide By Country
- (5) #I90-0297, 23 Sep, ANC RC OR Nursing Course
- #I91-0290, 24 Jun, Medical Records/Rosters Related to (6) Vaccination Against Biological Warfare Agents

d. Programs:

- (1) HIV Testing: The new HIV contract was awarded to North American Biologicals, INC. (NABI). Testing began in November for a two year period. The scope of work is virtually identical to the previous contract. The subcontractor will contact the site POC 25 days and 10 days prior to the draw date to finalize plans. State POC'S must send the monthly testing schedule to ARS NLT 60 days prior to the beginning of the month in which testing will occur. AARs are due NLT 8 days after the last draw of the month.
- (2) CVSP: While funds are available for CVS Phase II, the CRA has delayed distribution. However, States are currently being requested to submit requirements.
- I look forward to working with each of you and believe that good communication will make this contract flow easily. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or requests. MAJ Fortuin POC:
- Applications are currently being received for the commissioning of physician assistants. Under the new guidelines, PAs may be commissioned as an AMSC, AOC 65D. POC: CPT Brown

/s/ LTC Wright, Operations Branch Chief

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